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MARGINAL COLUMN
By GEORGE LEONOFF

Cairo Sees End To Rift with Saudia

THE epistolary epidemic of the last four months has carried almost 100,000 words across the oceans in the form of some 20 diplomatic exchanges between the great powers. This is the sort of information that, at first glance, can safely be tucked away in the Section of Subversive Statistics (Sub-section: Summit), where no doubt it may one day prove useful — or other such conclusions have been drawn in compiling our cost-of-living index. It is only on second thoughts that it occurs that the figure might have its practical implications. In view of the almost unanimous agreement that the most meticulous preparations are required before the Heads of State can meet, the estimate even assumes a certain significance. One wonders, for instance, whether — even after due allowance for repetition and redundancy — the letters have not exhausted most of the words in the English and Russian languages, and most of the ideas, too.

Reaction yesterday had still not crystallized over the delegation by King Saud of some of his absolute powers to his brother, Crown Prince Faisal. The West tended to play down the sources welcomed it as the first sign of a healing of the breach between Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Republic.

At his press conference in Washington yesterday, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said that the U.S. had no reason to believe that the figure might have its practical implications. In view of the almost unanimous agreement that the most meticulous preparations are required before the Heads of State can meet, the estimate even assumes a certain significance. One wonders, for instance, whether — even after due allowance for repetition and redundancy — the letters have not exhausted most of the words in the English and Russian languages, and most of the ideas, too.

SEEN in this light, the exchanges between Mr. Eisenhower and Marshal Nasser appear to have produced the opposite of what one assumes, was the desired effect. They have made it clear that both sides want a summit conference. They have also realized that neither side knows, or appears to know, how to go about compromising on any essential point of difference without retreating from what it considers — rightly or wrongly — its last-ditch position. To call this intransigence would be an over-optimistic understatement; it is more akin to frustration.

THIS does not necessarily mean that there will be no summit conference this year. It does mean, however, that if one does take place it will be under conditions that are extremely, and with justice rejected by the West. That is to say, the Heads of Government will meet despite their inability to achieve anything like a meeting of minds in advance. The value of such a conference would be highly problematical, but not all the problems would be on the Western side. It is Moscow, after all, that keeps insisting that a summit conference would lead to a reduction of international tension. One is rather tempted to suggest that, if they still think so after the current flurry of notes will have exhausted whatever new ideas may still be concocted, well — let them have a chance to prove it. There is no reason why the West should assume the onus of vindicating a conference.

In London, "The Times" pointed to the tendency of the press to interpret the appointment of Faisal to be in charge of the country's finances as confirmation of the report that the Saudi Government tried to arrange the assassination of the Crown Prince as a "mammoth bribe," as alleged in Damascus. But it said that Nasser will "still have a long way to go" if the recent replacement of the Egyptian military mission in Riyadh by an Iraqi one is left unexplained. (Reuter, INA)

Franco-Israel 'Copter Firm

BY MAURICE CARR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent PARIS, Tuesday. — A new company known as Alis is being established in Tel Aviv to develop Israel's helicopter transport system. This was announced here yesterday following talks between Mr. Shimon Peres, Director General of the Ministry of Defence, and M. Joseph Szydowski, Chairman of the Turbomeca Co., which produces gas turbine engines and military jet aircraft used in the U.S., Britain, Spain and other countries.

The first consignment of four Alouette Mark II helicopters, equipped with revolutionary gas turbine engines invented by M. Szydowski, will shortly be shipped to Israel. They will be leased to Arkia for tourist, oil prospecting and other purposes.

The Alouette has a speed of 105 m.p.h. and has been described by Americans who have acquired a licence to manufacture it as "the world's finest helicopter."

The Alis company is owned on a 50-50 basis by the Israeli Government and M. Szydowski. The helicopters will be flown by Israeli pilots already fully trained in France.

In Tel Aviv last night, Mr. T. Kollek, Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, told *The Jerusalem Post* that American, British and local firms had offered to operate helicopter services in Israel. It is learned that the first passenger service envisaged would operate between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, taking 20 minutes, and that preliminary plans have been submitted to the Government Tourist Corporation.

Israel Pavilion Opens At Rand Trade Fair JOHANNESBURG, Tuesday (INA). — Israel's pavilion at the Rand Easter Show, South Africa's biggest trade fair, was opened here today by the Israel Minister, Mr. Isaac Levy. In the presence of distinguished visitors, including the Mayor of Johannesburg, representatives of the Union's Department of Commerce and Industry, and members of the diplomatic corps.

Mr. Levy said that South African imports from Israel during 1957 totalled \$265,000, double the previous year's figure. The new Israeli pavilion at the fair reflected the increasing importance attached to trade with South Africa.

In the past, it had been hampered by communications difficulties, but new shipping lines from Eilat and Haifa now ensured prompt and regular deliveries, he added.

Tel Aviv-Yafo Residents

Death Sentence For Moshe Dayan

PARIS, Tuesday (INA). — A former French army interpreter named Moshe Dayan was yesterday sentenced to death by a Moroccan military court. He was accused of "plotting against the internal security of Morocco" and supplying information to the French Army about the Moroccan Liberation Army.

Two senior French officers with whom he allegedly cooperated were also sentenced to death, as absconced, and fined 24 francs. These were the first death sentences passed by a Moroccan court since the country attained independence.

Progress Made In Tunisian Talks

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuters). — Progress was made today in the Anglo-American good offices mission, aimed at leading to the resumption of diplomatic talks between France and Tunisia.

Following a 100-minute talk between Premier Félix Gaillard and the American and British envoys, Mr. Robert Murphy and Mr. Harold Beeley, the former told reporters, "Our conversation was very fruitful and encouraging. I believe there is much hope for the improvement of Franco-Tunisian relations."

To Meet Gaillard Again

The envoys will again see the Premier tomorrow night or Thursday morning.

Mr. Murphy said he discussed "only old questions" with Mr. Gaillard. This was understood to mean that the exchange of views was restricted to the limited number of subjects on the basis of which Mr. Murphy and Mr. Beeley had previously succeeded in getting President Bourguiba to resume talks with France.

The resignation which has been condemned in Paris is not secret any more. It is now widely known in Paris that Mr. Bourguiba has agreed to resume talks with France on the basis of recognition of French consular rights, re-consideration of the cases of Frenchmen exiled from Tunisia, and a demand for a lease to France for a long period of the Bizerte naval base, and sidestepping of the question of Algeria.

Propaganda Bid

The intense publicizing of Saudi's decree delegating power to his brother is seen here as an astute U.A.R. propaganda move; Egyptian sources claim that Faisal is being used by pro-Nasser and inflating his statements in favour of Arab unity. The U.A.R. press is now championing the Crown Prince to aggravate dissension within the Saudi royal household and inflame the small nucleus of educated Saudi opinion which is restive under the present feudal regime.

The Resignation

The resignation (see adjacent column) is widely interpreted here as evidence that the Baath Party demanded the removal of the Communists and their sympathizers as a condition of its own acceptance of the alliance with Egypt. This is recorded in the paper as another victim of the Baathists' manoeuvres to monopolize power following the establishment of the U.A.R.

Natural Forces' Will Solve Refugee Problem, Says Dulles

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UPI). — Secretary of State Dulles predicted yesterday that "natural forces" eventually will solve the intricate problem of how to resettle Palestine refugees in the Middle East.

Truman Has No Plans To Visit Israel

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA). — Mr. Harry Truman's office in Independence, Missouri, told *INA* today that so far the President has no definite plans to visit Israel this summer.

Inquiry into Slaying Of Officer Adjournd

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — A meeting between U.N.T.S.O., Israel Army, and Jordan Army officers called to investigate yesterday's killing of Segen Mishne Yoram Feinholz closed inconclusively today. It is believed that the meeting will reconvene on Thursday.

The officer was killed when an army patrol was fired on while intercepting a group of Jordan shepherds who had crossed into Israel with their flocks.

Foreign Aid Testimony

He discussed the problem while testifying in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing on the proposed new foreign aid bill.

He reported that the United States stands ready, as before, to extend substantial economic aid to Middle East countries in support of a programme in that region first proposed in August of 1955. Under the offer made by the U.S. it is proposed it would join in a treaty to uphold permanent frontiers, once they were drawn up by the parties involved. The U.S. also offered to contribute to a solution of the Arab refugee problem by lending money to Israel to compensate the refugees.

Labour Puts Off Visit To Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MR. William Rounsevel, Assistant Secretary of State, said in testimony made public today that the nations of the Middle East and Far East still needed "substantial assistance in the achievement of their aspirations."

Congressman Emanuel Celler of New York today made public a letter from the State Department in which the U.S. is continuing to express concern over any restrictions, particularly concerning visas, enforced by Arab countries against American Jews.

Enkel Urges Salaries Paid Before Passover

The Finance Ministry is making special efforts to ensure the payment of the salaries to Government employees before the beginning of the Passover week, it was yesterday announced by the Finance Ministry's spokesman in Jerusalem.

The spokesman said that Mr. L. Enkel, Minister of Finance, had asked the Accountant General to speed up the payment of salaries so that they might be received at the beginning of April.

A calculated gamble taken by the Cyprus authorities seemed to have paid off. They had partially lifted the total ban on proscriptions imposed on Greek Independence Day for the past two years. Security troops, though fully alerted, stayed in their barracks.

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TO PAY YOUR TAXES WITHOUT INCURRING A

Social & Personal

The President yesterday received the former Foreign Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Ahmed Hassan Adel, and Mrs. Adel: Members of the Majlis - Messrs. Mohammed Ali Mansuri and Amudi Nuri; and the Chairman of the Tehran Journalists' Association, Mr. Sayid Hashem Hamzay. The visitors were also received by the Prime Minister.

The President also received Mr. Akiva Govrin, M.K. Chairman of the Knesset Labour Committee.

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday received Mr. Tom Street and Mr. R. Jones of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. They were accompanied by Mr. John Haggerty, head of the U.S.O.M. in Israel, and by Mr. Frank Butler, of the U.S. Embassy.

Members of the Zionist General Council, Mr. P. Goldstein of the U.S.A. and Mr. E. Finschtein and family of Argentina, and the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Z. Zur, were yesterday the dinner guests of the Minister of Interior, Mr. Y. Bar-Yehuda, and his daughter.

Members of the Zionist General Council dined guests yesterday at a Hebrew University seder luncheon at which Mr. E. Galber, Chairman of the Executive Council of the University, acted as host.

The Swiss Ambassador, M. Ernst Blum, yesterday paid courtesy call on the President of the Supreme Court, Justice Y. Oshatz, the Chief Rabbi, Rabbi I.H. Herzog and Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, the Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Y. Sprinzak, and the Minister of Interior, Mr. Y. Bar-Yehuda.

Sir Knox Helm, the first U.K. Minister to Israel, and Lady Helm, accompanied by guests of honour at a luncheon given by the Israeli-British Commonwealth Association at Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv.

Mrs. Bertha Solomon, Executive Member of the International Council of Women, has arrived from South Africa for a month's visit in Jerusalem and will stay with her daughter, Mrs. Michael Comay.

Mr. S. Barak, manager of the head office of the Workers' Bank, Tel Aviv, has left (by air) for Ghana, to assist in organizing cooperative banks in Ghana.

Dr. Hormann, director of the Teachers' Training Division of the Ministry of Education and Culture, has left on a four-month study tour of Western Europe on a UNESCO grant. He will be replaced in his post during his leave by Mr. Y. Shohat.

The Skal Club of Tel Aviv held its Annual General Meeting on Monday at the Z.O.A. House and elected the following new Executive Council: Dr. R. Weinert (Switzerland), President; Mr. A. Z. Kis (TWA), Vice-President; Mr. B. Mammon (Pellours), Honorary Secretary; Mr. S. Kavik (Ziontours), Honorary Treasurer; Mr. L. Goldreich (Sheba), Messrs. K. Nathan (PEA) and A. Davidi (El Al), Members.

Dr. Flournoy A. Coles, Chief Economic Advisor and Programme Director of the U.S. Operations Mission, will address the ZOA House Dinner Club on "U.S.O.M. Activities in Israel" on Thursday, March 27.

Mr. Aryeh Neher will speak on "The Freedom of the Press" at the Haifa Rotary Club at 1.15 p.m. today.

BIRTH
ROSENBERG — To Judith and Alvin Rosenberg, a daughter, at the Bilev Hospital, Jerusalem, March 26, 1956.

MEMORIAL SERVICE
A memorial service for the victims of the Mount Scopus convoy disaster ten years ago was held yesterday in the Yeshurun Synagogue under the joint auspices of the Hebrew University and the Hadassah Medical Organization. Prof. S. Evenor, Acting President of the University, and Dr. K. J. M. Director-General of the Hadassah Medical Organization, lit the memorial candle, and Dr. Mano read out the names of the fallen. Mrs. Rachel Ben-Zvi was among those who attended the service.

A memorial meeting for the late Prof. Bonaventura, Dr. A. H. Freiman, and Dr. H. Klar, who lost their lives in the massacre, was held yesterday evening at the Hebrew University.

Renewal of Moroccan Immigration Urged

TEL AVIV, Tuesday — The Association of North African Immigrants in Israel issued an open letter here to Diamond and Israel leaders, urging them to use their influence in opening the gates of Morocco for Jews who wish to be reunited with members of their family here.

Neumann's Formula For G.Z. Unity

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A formula whereby a Conference of General Zionists could be ideologically affiliated with the German Zionists in Israel, but not so politically, could form the basis of re-uniting the split Confederation, Dr. Emanuel Neumann said in an interview with The Jerusalem Post yesterday. Dr. Neumann, a member of the Jewish Agency Executive and President of the Soviet Union of General Zionists (W.U.G.Z.).

The Confederation split last year over the issue of identification with the General Zionist Party, and the Union was formed at a conference in Tel Aviv recently. The other half of the Confederation remains the leadership of Dr. Israel Goldstein and the newly-formed World Union of General Zionists (W.U.G.Z.).

It was announced yesterday that Dr. Israel Goldstein, a former President of the Z.O.A., and now co-chairman of the World Organization of General Zionists, has joined the American Jewish Agency for Israel whose fundamental principle is non-identification with any political party in Israel.

Judge Louis M. Levinthal, honorary president of the American Jewish League for Israel, announced the return of Dr. Neumann to the Conference of General Zionists (W.U.G.Z.).

During the past several weeks I have been considering your and Mrs. Shlomo's invitation to come to London. I am sorry to say that I will not accept your invitation and to join your organization, after examining its constitution, its platform, and its practical program.

The American League for Israel is a Zionist body which represents the general population of the Jewish people. It should not be affiliated with any political party in Israel.

Mr. Levinthal is the Ambassador to Argentina in place of Dr. Arieh Kubrov, who will be returning for reassessment, and Mr. Moshe Yuval as Minister to Australia in place of Dr. Mordechai Nurock, who is retiring from the service.

Mr. Levinthal's position as Assistant to the General Secretary of the World Zionist Organization affords him the obligation of continuing his work for Israel and the Jewish people.

These considerations, coupled with the fundamental principle of non-identification with any political party in Israel, led me to my decision to join this splendid Zionist body. One's presence in the Conference of General Zionists is very important. It is for American Zionists, in the era of Medinat Israel, to place as much energy and effort as possible in the broad collective tasks of the Zionist education of our youth, the encouragement of Aliyah to Palestine, the winning and holding of public opinion for Israel and maximum fundraising for Israel.

No Party Disciplines
Dr. Neumann stressed, "We are not affiliated with the General Zionists of Israel and they are not affiliated with us; but they and we are part of a world confederation of General Zionists operating within the framework of the World Zionist Organization. We do not presume to advise them how to behave as an Israeli political party and what policies they should pursue in the Knesset. That is their responsibility as Israeli citizens."

"But within the Zionist Organization we endeavour to coordinate our policies and activities in accordance with those Zionist ideals and ideology which we have held in common for decades before the creation of the State of Israel."

Dr. Neumann emphasized that the W.U.G.Z. does not interfere in Israel's internal politics. He said he saw no real reason for the split in the Confederation.

He said there was no party discipline in the W.U.G.Z. each unit being completely autonomous. In this way the confederation differs from the world movements of other political parties in Israel.

Dr. Neumann thought that despite the fact that the W.O.G.Z. was not interested in Israel's internal politics, they were in fact identified with the Progressive Party in Israel. He pointed to their tie with Noam Zion (Zionist youth movement). He said that the Executive Secretary of the W.O.G.Z. was a Progressive Party member.

General Zionists are liberal-minded people, and the split is unreal. "I think the formation of ideological units is good, but the confederation of autonomous units could form the basis for a single confederation."

Dr. Neumann's W.U.G.Z. has members in South America, North America, Australia, and Europe.

FOR SELLING two bottles of cherry cordial containing grape seed oil, a perfume shopkeeper and young juice manufacturer, Ernest Albert, was yesterday fined IL100 by Tel Aviv Magistrate H. Steinberg.

Where to go

* Meet the Israeli —

Tourists invited to meet Israeli government officials at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM —

— Biblical Zoo, 8.30-8.

Exhibitions —

Permanent Exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art, 2) Ancient Sculptures from various civilizations from the 3rd century BC to the 1st century AD; 3) A preview of Primitive Sculpture; 4) Contemporary English graphics; 5) "Who Was Jesus?"

Memorial Exhibition, Benzed, 9.30-10.

Permanence of Antiquities, Recent finds Chalcolithic Cesaries from Haifa and marble figures from the 1st century BC, 10 Rehov Shlomo Hirschfeld, 9.1-3.

Exhibition of Antiquities, 10 Rehov Shlomo Hirschfeld, 9.1-3.

Today's Postings**The Weather**

Present, clear conditions

gradually developing.

Weather Synopsis:

A high pressure from Iraq to

Cyprus has caused rather

stabilization yesterday.

Temperature 60° F.

Mt. Carmel 70° F.

Haifa 70° F.

Nazareth 65° F.

Tel Aviv 65° F.

Lydda 65° F.

Jerusalem 65° F.

Beit She'an 65° F.

Salem 65° F.

Acre 65° F.

Minimum temp. yesterday, 60° F.

Maximum temp. expected today,

62° F.

ARRIVALS

Miss Batya Benoit, soprano,

for a series of appearances with

the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

THE NAME of the Western

Galilee village of Dovrat has

been changed to Netiv Ha-

shayar. (The path of the

convoy) in memory of the ill-

fated Yishai convoy, which

was taking supplies and re-

inforcements to the besieged

Yishai settlement ten years

ago, when its members were

attacked and killed by Arabs.

500 PASSENGERS, most of

them tourists, arrived in

Haifa yesterday in the a.s.

Jerusalem and Entron.

A DISCARDED cigarette

but yesterday resulted in a

fire in which 50 tons of straw

valises at IL 200 worth up

in flames at Mezuzah Palace

in the Western Negev.

TRAINING FOR Magen Da-

vid Adom volunteers in Je-

rusalem will be held this

evening at 7:30 at the MDA

lecture hall.

A SPECIAL postal agency

will be opened at the Orion

Cinema in Jerusalem next

Sunday and Monday during

the sessions of the Research Conference.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

March 28, 1946

Hiding came in ladies with house-

hold goods. Arabs trekked from the

Judean deserts and Sharon plains

to the coastal plain, controlled hills today, continuing

the exodus which began yesterday.

With army 25-pounder

canons aimed at Bab-el-Wad, a

convoy of passenger buses and

supply trucks successfully

broke through Arab road blocks

yesterday and arrived safely in Jerusalem

from Tel Aviv.

TIBERIAS CELEBRATES

LIBERATION TODAY

TIBERIAS Tuesday.—The

city was gay with flags and the city

celebration to

mark the tenth

anniversary of the liberation

of the town from the Arabs

in the War of Independence.

Tiberias was the first mixed

town to be liberated and to

establish an independent Hebrew municipality.

Among the many official

guests to attend the celebra-

tion will be the Ministers of

Interior, Police, Agriculture,

and the Deputy Minister for

Religious Affairs, who will

dedicate the rebuilt tomb of

Kiryat Shmuel.

Two information centres

have been opened, one at the

southern entrance to the

city and one, for tourists, at

the cooperative restaurant at

Kiryat Shmuel.

New Kibbutz Near

Lebanese Border

TEL AVIV. Tuesday.—A

new settlement is to be estab-

lished by Kibbutz Artzi

of Hachomer Hatzair in

the Haifa District, near the

Lebanese border. Its nearest

neighbour is Kibbutz Elion,

where the future settlers of

the new kibbutz are now

training. They are youth

alumni graduates from various

countries.

The area is most suitable

for sheep and cattle grazing,

and fruit growing. Building

has already commenced.

Mapam Sending Two

To Yugoslavia

TEL AVIV. Tuesday.—Ma-

pam is to be represented at

the forthcoming conference

of the Yugoslav Communist

Party by Mr. Yaakov Hasan,

M.K. and Mr. Natan Peled,

Political Secretary of the

Party. The Soviet Communist

Party is also to send a dele-

gation.

The conference, opening in

Ljubljana on April 23, will

also be attended by many

foreign delegations including

one from Egypt and from the

British Labour Party. There

has been some comment here

on the exclusion of Abdut

Ha'avoda from the list of

foreign groups invited.

Naomi Voosen

Jerusalem

MARRIED

Magal,

March 25, 1956.

With deep sorrow we announce the untimely passing away of our beloved

Dr. Avraham Frisch

The funeral took place on Monday, March 24, 1956.

Amnon Abeles

Jerusalem

MARRIED

Oli Frisch

and the bereaved family

10 Per Cent of Immigrants Are Ailing, Says Barzilai

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Over 10 per cent of recent immigrants suffer from tuberculosis, mental illness or other diseases, the Minister of Health, Mr. Israel Barzilai, told the Knesset yesterday, in presenting his Ministry's budget for its second reading.

He said that the difficulties of arranging medical treatment in the countries of origin or at the port of embarkation had resulted in a large percentage of immigrants arriving in Israel without any examination.

Only 57 per cent of immigrants from Eastern Europe, and only 50 per cent of immigrants from Egypt, who arrived during the period October 1955-December 1957, received medical examinations before landing in Israel.

The direct cost of treating them, he estimated, amounted to IL 2,000,000. He said he hoped to study the possibility of national health insurance.

Mr. Barzilai said that the high proportion of disease among the recent immigrants put a heavy burden on the country's hospitals.

In an effort to plan for adequate hospital service for the next decade, he was about to appoint a committee.

Mr. Barzilai said that he hoped his conclusions would serve to point the way to the solution of this problem.

It is estimated that at least half a million Israelis came down with Asian flu during last autumn's epidemic.

Mr. Barzilai revealed. There were 25-30 deaths as a result of complications.

The Salk vaccine campaign against infantile paralysis has been successful far above the highest hopes. There were 50 cases in 1957, which is just 10 per cent of the average incidence in the previous five years. There were two fatalities. Twenty of the 50 cases were children who had not been inoculated.

Such a radical drop was unanticipated in the whole world, Mr. Barzilai said. The Americans, Canadians and British

...But 16 Per Cent Have Academic Qualifications

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

One out of six of last year's employable immigrants had an academic education, with engineers and doctors prevailing among them, it was revealed yesterday by the Minister of Labour, Mr. Mordechai Namir, in presenting his Ministry's budget for its second reading by the Knesset.

He added that this constituted an important economic asset for the State and revealed that over 80 per cent of these immigrants had found employment.

Turning to the problem of unemployment, Mr. Namir estimated that 40,000 people in the working force of 220,000 would not be fully employed during 1958. This figure is anticipated four per cent rise in employment during the year.

The Ministry planned to provide additional managerial and technical and agricultural training to some 33,000 persons, leaving a hard core of approximately 18,000 totally unemployed over the year.

Reviewing the past year, Mr. Namir said that the total labour force had grown by 37,000 persons—27,000 from immigration and the rest from natural increase of the local population. Of this addition, 32,000 had been absorbed in the various branches of the economy. He pointed out that the average daily unemployment rate stood at 2.5 per cent of the total working force during 1957.

Mr. Namir also announced that the country's road network had grown by 314 kilometres of major roads and 70 kilometres of approach roads during 1957.

He also revealed that his Ministry had completed work on the new industrialisation of the Labour Exchanges and announced that it would shortly be tabled in the Knesset.

The Magistrate today also suspended for one year the license of Mr. David Hakak, for riding without a licence and without his vehicle being insured. He was also fined IL 75.

Investment Balanced Capital Imports in 1957—Eshkol

Jerusalem Post Reporter

In 1957, for the first time since the establishment of the State, capital imports were balanced by net investment, according to the Minister of Finance.

Mr. Eshkol, former Director of European Bond delegation at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem yesterday, declared that preliminary statistics show that local production equalled total private and public consumption. This means that the total value of imported capital—actual imports less exports—was

reduced to investment.

He made the statement as part of an appeal to the delegation, which includes the present Baron Edmond de Rothschild among its members.

Mr. Namir said that 39,000 units to house 200,000 persons were completed during the year. He called on private builders who had supplied 7,000 units last year to increase their efforts during 1958, especially in developing areas so as to lighten the Ministry's burden there.

He also revealed that of the 20,000 persons enrolled in the Saving for Housing Scheme, 2,000 would receive new housing in 1957.

Mr. Namir also reviewed the progress of the cooperative movement, and stressed its importance to the country's economy. However, he singled out the public transportation cooperatives as a blant example of lack of public responsibility and as other cooperatives of the importance of considering the needs of the public in all their actions.

Returning to the problem of productivity, he cited a

Hits 3 Soldiers In Rush for Plane

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday.—A hit-and-run driver who early this morning ran into a group of soldiers on the Tel Aviv highway near Haifa, injuring three of them, gave the police his identity through an advocate, after report of the accident, was broadcast at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Barzilai said that the shortage of physicians for villages and border settlements had not yet been overcome, although 30 doctors are settled in such places as 1957. There was still need for 15-20 more doctors in villages and border settlements, and for 30 more in the Negev.

The medical committee appointed by the Minister of Labour and himself to study the possibility of national health insurance was working intensively, Mr. Barzilai said. He hoped that it would complete its work within the coming months.

Neglect Alleged

In the debate, Dr. S. Julesberg (Herut) urged the speedy adoption of a hospital insurance scheme. Both he and Dr. E. Harel (PZC) charged that the present division of labour between the Health Ministry and Kupat Holim led to duplication in some areas and competition in others.

Dr. Harel has earned the title "Careful

Neutral' States Consolidate Home Front

By Amnon Barzur

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Youth: Schools Or Parties

H-BOMBS BOther BRITAIN

By GERDA L. COHEN

LONDON.—THERE are two bodies of opinion now seeking to prove that the British public supports one of them. The left-wing body — labelled either pacifist or peace-loving — intends to show that a majority of Englishmen do not want American missile bases, H-bomber patrols, and nuclear tests — at any price.

The other body, which could be deceptively labelled right-wing, intends to prove that the above-mentioned evils are more necessary to avoid enslavement by Russia and that anyone objecting to them is un-British, cowardly and a victim of Mr. Khrushchev's propaganda. I say "deceptively labelled" because a group of Tory M.P.'s have expressed their displeasure with this attitude, and the "Times" has often argued against the policy of "massive deterrent." At any rate, both bodies are finding it hard to substantiate their views. The British public doesn't like labels.

The Council for Nuclear Disarmament has conducted referenda in five major universities; the results baffled the statistician. In the first place, not enough undergraduates answered the referendum to give a fair picture. Those who did answer felt strongly about banning the H-Bomb. Bearing that in mind, it is odd to find no consensus of opinion. About half the poll thought that Mr. Macmillan's argument for retaining the H-Bomb did not hold water; there is no evidence that possession of the bomb would give Britain greater influence over the Kremlin or the White House. Also, America has enough bombs to deter aggression without Britain's military contribution. About half the students on the other hand, disagreed that Britain should renounce the bomb before a general nuclear war.

Hamodia (World Aguda) notes that the Mayor of Jerusalem is spending no time on energy issues, while the orthodox inhabitants of Jerusalem are swimming in the swimming pool issue. The fact that this is not a question of a single breach in the religious life of the Capital is borne out by his own admission that the future face of Jerusalem depends on how this issue is settled. That is the very argument that the Orthodox have put forward: a concession here would mean a compromise of Jerusalem's status as the Holy City. The Mayor has plenty of money to back him up, and Ministers are making the chief exponents of Arab nationalism and the sole liberators of the Arab world from the imperialist yoke.

To sum up, the various likely victims of Nasser's intentions, we this week showing signs of activity. In Tunisia, whose President recently accused the Egyptians of encouraging an attempt on his life, King Mohammed V of Morocco and King Idris es-Senussi of Libya are to confer with President Bourguiba next month to work out a federation of the three countries, no doubt partly to meet the challenge from the East.

Resisting U.A.R.

The pro-Egyptian National Union Party, headed by Ismail el-Azhari and itself no longer speaking of union with Egypt, came out with 45 deputies.

Whether he decides to bring them into his new coalition or reverts to a narrow coalition with his present partners, the Democratic People's Party and the Southern Liberals, Khalil is certain to resist any U.A.R. attempts to force his hand.

Further afield, the three Arab States of North Africa are at last of the poten-

THE 15th anniversary of the League of the Arab States, founded on March 22, 1945, falls at a time when this organisation finds itself as divided and as paralysed as ever. Of the seven original signatories of the League's pact, five are now arrayed in two rival federations with the others, the League of Arab and Saudi Arabia, trying their best to keep out of harm's reach. Two relative newcomers, the Sudan and Libya, seem equally resolved to resist their powerful neighbour's attempts at encroachment.

With the exception of Libya, the "neutrals" have all been subjected to concentrated attacks from the United Arab Republic, the more openly aggressive of the two new federations. The Sudan seems to have been considered the easiest prey, since only a few days after the proclamation of the merger with Syria, the Egyptian regime all but resorted to force in order to secure possession of certain disputed border territories. The Lebanon came next.

On April 13, a convoy making its way to Mount Scopus suffered a barbarous attack at Arab hands and 77 persons lost their lives in the utmost cruelty. The convoy was one of the largest to have gone up to Scopus in those days of Arab lawlessness and bloodshed which preceded the withdrawal of the British. Consisting of patients requiring treatment at the Hadassah Hospital, doctors, nurses and other medical personnel, university teachers, scientists and students, it left Jerusalem at 9.30 on that ill-fated morning, and a quarter of an hour later the first vehicle — an escort car — hit mine at a point near Karm el Mufti which then served as a British military post. From then until far into the afternoon the unequal battle raged. The Arabs pumped heavy automatic fire and mortars into the stranded vehicles, whilst the heavily outnumbered Jewish escort party bravely attempted to keep the attackers at bay.

Repeated most urgent appeals for help were made to the responsible military authorities by leading University and Hadassah representatives, but the response was always the same: the situation was "well in hand." Permission for a Hagana detachment to go to the assistance of the victims was refused. By this disaster the University and Hadassah were robbed of some of their outstanding servants, and the State of Israel, born a month later, of scholars and scientists who had much to contribute towards its development. Among them were Dr. H. Yassky, Director of the Hadassah Medical Organization; Dr. M. Ben-David, Executive Secretary of the University-Hadassah Medical School Development Committee; Dr. E.J. Bonaventura, Professor of Psychology at the University; Dr. L. Doljanski and others of his Cancer Research Laboratory.

Saud's Reaction

King Saud's reaction to Nasser's oral attacks and accusations of financing a plot against U.A.R. has been puzzling. First he announced that he was setting up an enquiry commission to investigate Nasser's allegations; then he failed to do so and kept unaccountably silent. Meanwhile Cairo and Damas-
cuse have since declared that the government would base its foreign policy "on cooperation with the Arab States and on support of all Arab aspirations, especially on the questions of Palestine and Algeria."

It is typical of Lebanon's awk-
ward position vis-a-vis her Arab neighbors that she too has had to cancel a similar mission to Baghdad and Amman to compensate Faisal and Hussein. The return of Dr. Charles Malik as Foreign Minister is an indication that the country's firmly pro-Western policy is to be maintained, as well as its determined resistance to any attempt on Cairo's part to exploit Moslem sentiment inside Lebanon.

In addition, there is also the fact that the salaries of employed doctors and other professionals have shrank considerably, compared to those of unskilled workers, since the proclamation of the State — which not only explains the need for salaried doctors to devote their spare time to additional work but also shows lack of esteem and understanding for the importance of scholarship and professional skill.

Even the rightmost professional representation of the academic professions is disputed and the Medical Association has to fight again and again for recognition by the Government as the representative of the medical profession. The Histadrut still denies the Medical Association its authorization in the negotiations on the organization of medical services in Kibbutz Holon, which are now in progress. The Medical Association is not formally represented.

It is surprising when, under these circumstances, doctors devote their spare time first of all to working for the future of the medical profession and for the improvement of the country's health service — which is, in our opinion, a mean public task?

DR. GEIRIN

Chairman, Central Committee of Medical Association of Israel

Haifa, March 14.

S.A.S. WITHDRAWAL

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir — With regard to the Scandinavian Airlines System's decision to withdraw its flights to Israel as of April 1 on the ground of El Al's refusal to grant it the right to transport passengers from Copenhagen to Israel and vice versa, the Committee for the Israel Chamber of Commerce in Sweden feels that the com-

partment of the Jerusalem Municipality seems to help with office facilities, whilst the Youth Department at the Ministry of Education and Culture did little more than lend its name as a sponsor. The Israel-American Cultural Foundation should find some money to help the Russian community pay overheads and Ket Yisrael who do not give a helping hand, whilst the Chamber Music Association could do a lot with their experience, their connections and even their financial surplus, if any, to support an organization which can and must educate the coming generation of concertgoers and music lovers.

The high level of performance on Thursday evening proved that Jerusalem had the artistic force to mould much of its own musical life, and it is up to Jeunesse Musicale to utilize them to best advantage and to fulfil the obligation that it has taken up. The tasks are manifold, the possibilities encouraging, the spirit on both sides of the footlights is most constructive and positive — and our youth deserves every effort.

A typical product of operatic style in the romantic vein framed in the chamber music form was demonstrated in Weber's Trio, Op. 48. One had the impression of hearing the Aria, the Dust and唐衣 as if human voices sang them.

Gabriel Piero's Sonata for two pianos and two violins was not a particular interest.

Quite a lively work, it lacks originality for it is less mostly in Faure without the profundities that distinguish this great composer.

The ensemble showed promising insight into the style of the opening Bach but played it in routine fashion.

T. BORHM

Notice to The Public

Eliot Local Council announces the

granting of concessions

for trade on Eliot beach

The programme includes the erection of Cafes,

Restaurants, Showers, Dressing Rooms, Toilets, etc.

Persons interested in obtaining further details should contact the offices of the Council, daily during regular work hours, and before April 10, 1958.

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